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USDOC FOR FRED STOKELAND

E.O. 12356: N/A
 TAGS: ECON, PGOV, SF
 SUBJECT: HOUSE SUBCOMMITTEE INVITES BLACK TAXI MEN TO
 TESTIFY

REF: PRETORIA 3891

1. THE SOUTHERN AFRICA BUS AND TAXI ASSOCIATION (SABTA) HAS RECEIVED A FORMAL INVITATION TO TESTIFY BEFORE THE SUBCOMMITTEES ON AFRICA AND INTERNATIONAL ECONOMIC POLICY (AND TRADE) SCHEDULED FOR WEDNESDAY, MARCH 23, AT 1400 HOURS. THE INVITATION, WHICH INCORRECTLY IDENTIFIES SABTA AS THE "SOUTH AFRICAN BLACK-TAX ASSOCIATION," IS SIGNED BY CONGRESSMEN BONKER AND WOLPE. SABTA HAS BEEN INVITED TO PRESENT ITS VIEWS ON H.R. 1051 (DELLUMS BILL), 1580 (DYMALLY), 2443 (GRAY), 3317 (WISE), 3328 (LELAND), AND 1005 (RANGEL)(SIC).

2. WE HAVE CONFIRMED THAT SABTA'S DELEGATION WILL CONSIST OF NATIONAL PRESIDENT JAMES NGCOYA, OFS CHAIRMAN BOAZ MONAMANE, COMMUNICATIONS OFFICER NJISO MATJILA AND MARKETING MANAGER LINDILE LENISA. PAUL BROWNING AND PAULINE FORESHAW, TWO OF SABTA'S TRANSPORTATION CONSULTANTS, WILL ACCOMPANY GROUP. FORESHAW WORKS AS A TRANSPORTATION ANALYST AT CSIR AND FREE-LANCES FOR BROWNING ON THE SABTA CONTRACT. NEITHER BROWNING NOR FORESHAW WILL TESTIFY. ACCORDING TO BROWNING, FORESHAW WILL HANDLE LOGISTICS AND OTHER ADMINISTRATIVE DETAILS.

3. BROWNING WOULD LIKE TO CALL ON APPROPRIATE STATE AND COMMERCE DESK OFFICERS. WE HAVE GIVEN BROWNING TELEPHONE NUMBERS FOR ERIC BENJAMINSON AND FRED STOKELAND AND ASKED HIM TO CALL FOR APPOINTMENTS. THE DELEGATION WILL BE STAYING AT THE HILTON ON CONNECTICUT AVENUE, TELEPHONE NUMBER 483-3000, SHOULD YOU WISH TO CONTACT THEM. PERKINS
 END OF MESSAGE

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